Action XLIII.

FORM I

For Scotland.

Bond and Disposition in Security by the "Edinburgh Gas Company, Limited," to "John Smith."

Whereas the said "John Smith" has advanced to the said Company the Sum of One thousand

Whereas the said "John Smith" has advanced to the said Company the Sum of One thousand Pounds, on condition that the Company will repay the same to him on the First Day of January next, with Interest thereon in the meantime at the Rate of Five Pounds per Centum; and in the event of their not repaying the same on the said First of January will, so long as the same remains unpaid, pay Interest thereon at the Rate of Five Pounds per Centum by equal half-yearly Payments on the First Day of July, and the First Day of January in every Year:

Therefore, for securing the said Advance and Interest, the said Company hereby dispone to the said "John Smith," and his Heirs and Assignees whomsoever, all and whole (describe the Lands); and it is hereby declared that if the Company fails in paying the whole of the Principal and Interest Monies hereby secured on the said First of January, the said "John Smith." or any Person for the Time entitled to such Monies, may, at any Time thereafter, upon giving to the Company Three Months' Notice, sell the said Lands, and reimburse himself out of the Monies arising from the Sale all Sums due on this Security, and all Expenses incurred by him in respect of such Sale, rendering the Surplus, if any, to the Company or their Assigns; The Condition as to Notice shall apply only between the Parties to this Indenture, and shall not affect a Purchaser, a Sale to whom shall be valid notwithstanding such Notice may not have been given. been given.

In witness whereof.

(To be tested and signed in common Form.)

No. 37.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Notes in Circulation and Specie in Reserve at the Bank of the Oriental Bank Corporation in Hongkong, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. BRIDGES, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 15th April, 1858.

Account of the average Amount of Notes in Circulation at the Bank of the Oriental Bank Corporation in Hongkong, for the Month ending 31st March, 1858, rendered in accordance with the Terms of Her Majesty's Royal Charter of Incorporation.

NOTES ISSUED, \$291,586. SPECIE IN RESERVE, 200,000. \$291,586.

P. CAMPBELL, Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, 1st April, 1858.

I hereby certify that I have this day inspected the Books and Treasure Vault of the Oriental Bank Corporation, and the Amount of Species shown is in accordance with the Terms of the Royal Charter.

FRED. FORTH. Colonial Treasurer.

J. A. CARVALHO,
Accountant.

Victoria, Hongkong, 14th April, 1858.

No. 17.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of British Trade in China, &c., &c., has received the subjoined Circular from Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in Charge at Amoy, to the address of the Mercantile Community at that Port, which is hereby published for general information.

By Order,

G. W. CAINE.

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 14th April, 1858.

CIRCULAR.

BRITISH CONSULATE, AMOY, 10th April, 1858.

His Excellency the Taoutae of Amoy, having notified officially that a Tax of 48 Dollars per Chest, viz: \$40 as Duty, and \$8 for Expenses of Collection, is now levied on each Chest of Opium, and collected from the native purchaser, the undersigned begs to notify that questions connected with that article will stand in the same category as those connected with any other imported article.

H. M. Acting Consul further notifies to British Merchants and Ship-masters, that, for the future, when handing in Manifests to the Consular Office, the quantity of Opium imported will be required to be given in common with other merchandize.

To the British Mercantile Community.

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(Signed,)

W. RAYMOND GINGELL.

Amoy.

True Copy,

P. J. Hudges.